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This Supplemental Reasons for Allowance is to correct the claim numbering for the record.

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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Supplemental Reasons for Allowance*

1. Claims 10-18 are allowed over the prior art of record. **Claims 10-18 are renumbered as 1-9 respectively.**
2. The prior art of record does not teach or suggest the combination of “a communicator configured to receive an updating program via a network; an internal memory configured to store the received updating program, the internal memory being built in the image communication apparatus; a memory slot configured to have an external memory card connected to the memory slot; and a controller configured, when the updating program is received, to judge whether a data amount of the received updating program exceeds a capacity of the internal memory, to store the received program in the internal memory when the data amount of the received updating program is judged not to exceed the capacity of the internal memory, based on the memory, and to update the program stored in the program updating program stored in the internal memory, the controller, when the a data amount of the received updating program is judged to exceed the capacity of the internal memory, being further configured to store the received program in the external memory card inserted into the memory slot, and to update the program stored in the program memory based on the updating program stored in the external memory card”.

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3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled AComments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Twyler M. Lamb whose telephone number is 571-272-7406. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Thurs 6:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L. Coles can be reached on 571-272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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